County of San Diego MSCP Quino Checkerspot Butterfly Amendment

Stakeholder Meeting March 25, 2008

Where we're at...

- To speed amendment development, issues divided into two reports.
 - Policy report.
 - Monitoring report (July 2008)
- Expect complete Amendment Package in December 2008 for stakeholder review.

Policy Report Summary

Includes:

- Project processing procedures.
- Anticipated conservation levels.

Doesn't include:

- Management and Monitoring.
- Financing.
- Discussion of Effects on Other Species.

Quino Amendment Objectives

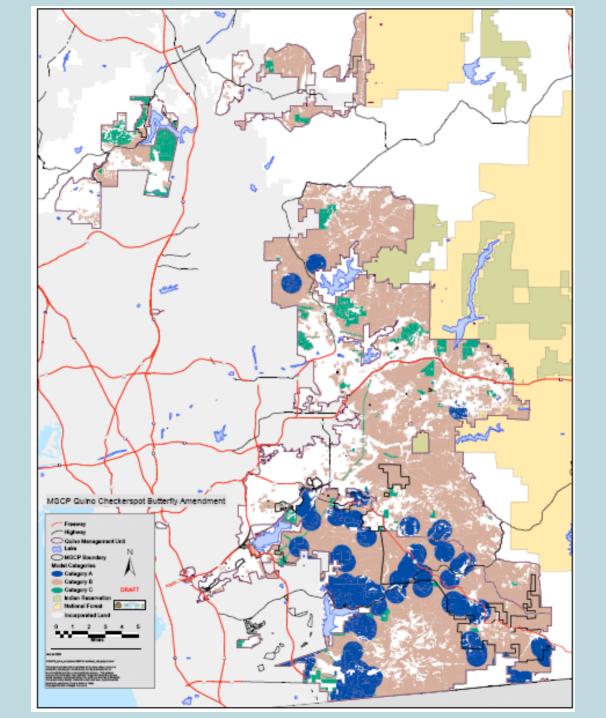
- Preserve a sufficient amount of Quino habitat to ensure the long-term conservation of Quino.
- Provide conservation of appropriate habitat within a preserve design appropriate to the metapopulation dynamics of the species.
- Provide take authorization of Quino for public and private projects.
- Minimize regulatory burdens associated with federal Endangered Species Act compliance for Quino.

Planning Process

- Looked at where Quino can and do occur
- Potential Quino Habitat
 - Used to model habitat with existing information in order to make estimates of future conservation and impacts at the Subarea Plan scale. Based upon:
 - Vegetation Communities suitable for Quino
 - Survey Results
 - Only used for planning and analysis.

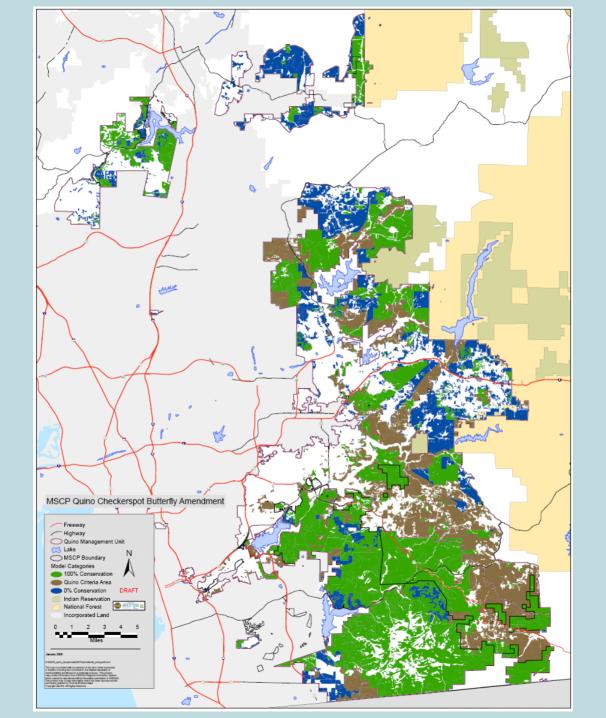
Planning Process

- Classes of Potential Quino Habitat:
 - A: Potential Habitat within 1 km of observation.
 - B: Unsurveyed potential habitat.
 - C: Surveyed with negative results.



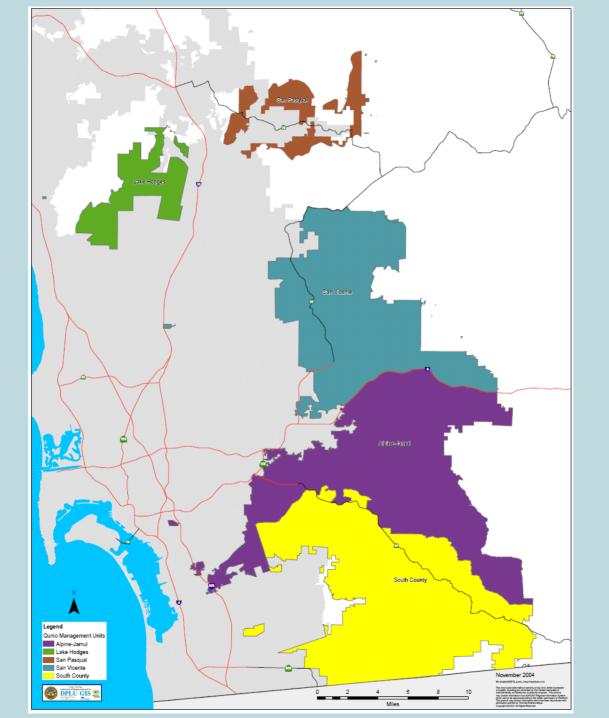
Project Processing

- Quino 0% Conservation Areas
 - Quino conservation not required, but impacts must be mitigated.
- Quino 100% Conservation Areas
 - Existing preserves, or areas coming into the preserve with the amendment. Compatible uses in preserves allowed.
- Quino Criteria Areas
 - Avoid to the maximum extent practical.
 - Impact up to 20% of "Occupied Quino Habitat".
 - Mitigate.



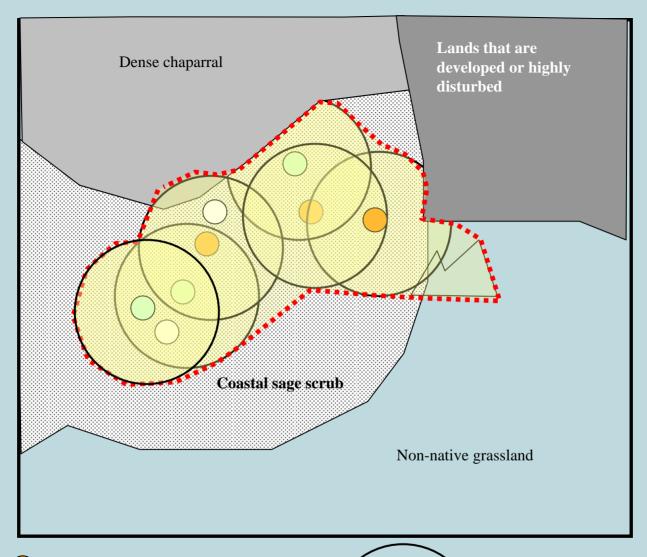
Project Survey Requirements

- USFWS Protocol
- Only required in South County, Alpine Jamul, and San Vicente Quino Management Units.
- Negative survey results valid for one year.
- Where Quino are found, map Occupied Quino Habitat (described next).



Occupied or Suitable Quino Habitat

- Used to assess project site conditions and determine minimization / mitigation requirements.
- Mapping of <u>habitat</u> to inform conservation measures rather than basing completely on "Quino points".





- Insignificant host or nectar plant population
- Significant Larval Host Plant Patch

200 m radius circle



Mitigation

	Mitigation Site is in Same QMU as Impacts	Mitigation Site is in Different QMU than Impacts
Mitigation Site Consists of Occupied Quino Habitat	3:1	4:1
Mitigation Site Consists of Suitable Quino Habitat within 0.6 miles of Occupied Quino Habitat	4:1	5:1

- Applied to Occupied / Suitable Quino Habitat.
- Two components may be satisfied by creating viable Quino habitat.
- Important for mitigation to occur near impacts and with occupied habitat to gain coverage.

Next Steps

- Written comments due April 11.
- Adaptive Management / Monitoring report will be available in July.
- Expected completion in July 2010.